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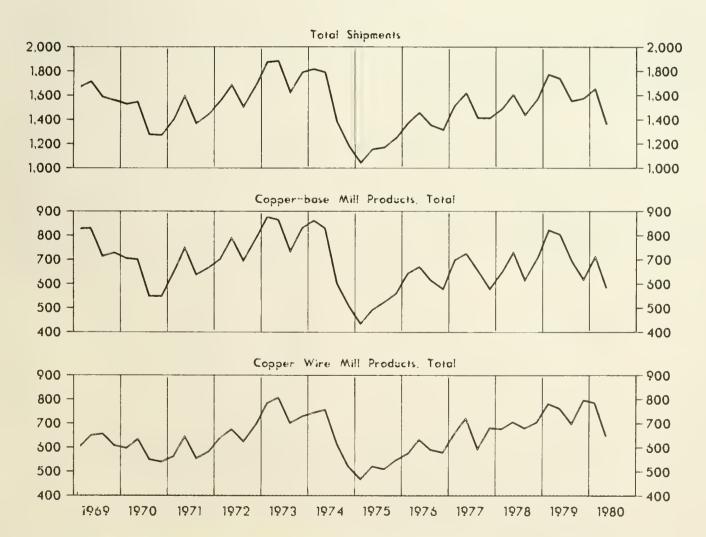
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The statistics in this publication are based on a survey of manufacturers and represent total U.S. shipments of copperbase mill and foundry products. Estimates are included for

companies whose reports were not received in time for tabulation. A more complete description of this survey appears on page 5.

THIS REPORT INCLUDES DATA COMPARING DOMESTIC OUTPUT, EXPORTS, AND IMPORTS

SHIPMENTS OF COPPER CONTROLLED MATERIALS
FROM BRASS MILLS, COPPER WIRE MILLS, FOUNDRIES AND POWDER MILLS
1969 TO 1980
(In Thousands of Pounds)



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(Millions of pounds - metal weight)

		Brass mill products		Copper wire mill products1			Brass and	Copper-base
Quarter and year	Total	Alloyed	Unalloyed	Bare wire ²	Insulated communi- cation wire	Other insulated wire	bronze foundry products ³	powder mill products
1980	-							
Second quarter First quarter	1,362 1,659	353 440	231 276	75 r ₈₆	r 193 r 219	r ₄₈₂	120 141	11 15
1979								
Fourth quarterThird quarterSecond quarter	r _{1,580} 1,558 1,743 1,777	394 433 511 538	228 266 295 287	r 59 48 67 62	r 193 r 216 229 208	r 546 r 438 468 514	146 142 156 148	14 15 17 20
1978								
Fourth quarter	1,598 1,479 1,647 1,527	454 39 5 472 429	251 225 262 224	62 53 65 58	196 208 210 192	481 455 468 463	139 128 153 145	15 15 17 16
1977								
Fourth quarter. Third quarter Second quarter First quarter.	1,416 1,417 1,625 1,522	378 428 472 448	204 229 256 253	62 55 60 53	186 156 222 184	435 388 442 422	137 146 155 145	14 15 18 17
1976 Fourth quarter	1,320	378	204	53	146	382	142	15
Third quarter.	1,357	406	210	50	169	373	131	18

Note: Detail may not add to totals due to independent rounding.

Table 2. SHIPMENTS OF COPPER-BASE MILL AND FOUNDRY PRODUCTS

(Millions of pounds - metal weight) 1980 1979 Product Fourth quarter Second quarter First quarter Total shipments..... 1,362 1,659 1,580 Copper-base mill products..... 584 716 622 Copper-base alloy:
Sheet and strip¹.
Rod, bar, and wire. 164 199 184 160 176 Tube and pipe..... 34 34 Unalloyed copper. 52 62 Tube and pipe..... 142 183 Copper wire mill products³.

Bare wire⁴.

Insulated communication wire. r₇₈₇ 798 r₂₁₉ 193 193 r₄₈₂ Other insulated wire..... 3 79 546 Brass and bronze foundry products5..... 120 141 146 Copper-base powder mill products..... 11 14 Copper-base alloy: Granular.... Flake.... (2) (2) Unalloyed copper: Granular..... 8 Flake....

Note: Detail may not add to totals due to independent rounding. Wonthly shipments data for brass mills and copper wire mills of primary companies are available in Current Industrial Reports Series W33K. "Inventories of Brass and Copper Wire Mill Shapes."

Revised by 5 percent or more from previously published figures.

¹Represents copper content weight, rather than metal weight.

²Represents uninsulated, bare tinned, and or alloy coated wire.

Source: Bureau of the Census Current Industrial Reports Series M33E, "Nonferrous Castings."

racevised by 5 percent or more from previously published figures. (Z) tess than 500,000 pounds.

¹ Wilitary ammunition cups and discs are included on a net weight basis, i.e., excluding the weight of the webbing scrap generated in the cupping and discing.

²Does not include electrical wire.

³See footnote 1, table 1. 4See footnote 2, table 1. 5See footnote 3, table 1.

(Quantity in millions of pounds; value in \$1,000)

(Quantity in millions of pounds; value in \$1,000)										
Product ¹	Manufac- mer		f domestic	Estimated	Percent, exports to manufac-	Imports for consumption 4		Calculated	Apparent	Percent, imports to apparent
	turers' shipments	Ouantity	Value at port	producers' value ³	turers shipments (quantity)	Quantity	Value	import duty	consumption ⁵	consump- tion (quantity)
SECOND QUARTER 1980										
Copper-based mill products ⁶	670	71	103,289	98,225	11	63	89,109	1,825	662	10
Brass mill products Copper-base alloy:										
Sheet and strip	164	3	12,043	11,475	2	26	32,052	712	341	8
Rod, bar, and wire	160 29	6 5	7,842 9,982	7,472 9,511	4 17	13		209	37	35
Tube and pipe	23	,	7,702	7, 311	17	12	20,636	209	37	33
Sheet and strip	52	1	1,808	l, 723	2	} 14	19,182	265	67	21
Rod, bar, and wire	37	35	35,322	33,655	95	γ				
Tube and pipe	142	16	24,037	22,902	11	6	10,033	261	1 32	5
Copper wire mill products, bare wire	75	4	10,689	10, 184	5	3	5,865	321	74	4
Copper-base powder mill products. Copper-base alloy Granular. Flake. Unalloyed copper: Granular. Flake.	2 (Z) 8 1	}	1,566	1,303	9	1	1,341	57	11	9
F1RST QUARTER 1980										_
Copper-base mill products ⁶	817	55	92,333	87, 728	7	71	93, 372	1,985	833	8
Brass mill products: Copper-base alloy										
Sheet and strip	199	3	13,059	12,443	2	28	31,468	756	427	6
Rod, bar, and wire	207	4	5,335	5,083	2	U				_
Tube and pipe	34	14	23,785	22,662	41	14	21,880	292	34	28
Sheet and strip	62	1	1,399	1,333	2	} 14	17,707	257	88	16
Rod, bar, and wire	31	18	21,884	20,851	60	7				10
Tube and pipe	183	9	14,891	14, 188	5	8	12,320	318	182	/
Copper wire mill products, bare wire	86	5	9,908	9,440	6	7	8,946	308	88	8
Copper-base powder mill products: Copper-base alloy: Granular	3 1 10	}	2,072	1,723	7	(Z)	1,050	53	14	(Z)

⁽Z) Less than half the stated unit of measure.

Comparison of domestic manufacturers' shipments, export, and import codes for copper-base mill products appears in table 4.

Source: Bureau of the Census Report FT-410, U.S. Exports, Commodity by Country.

These values were derived by use of adjustment factors to exclude freight, insurance, and other charges incurred in moving goods to the port of export. This adjustment is made to convert the values to an approximation of the producers' value of exported goods, current adjustment factors (.9528 for industry group 335 relating to brass mill and copper wire mill products and .8318 for industry group 339 relating to copper-base powder mill products) are based on data for 1976 which are published in "Origin of Exports of Manufacturing Establishments," M76(AS)-8, appendix A.

Source: Bureau of the Census Report IN 145-X, U.S. Imports for Consumption and General Imports.

Apparent consumption is derived by subtracting exports from the total of net shipments plus imports.

This total does not include either insulated wire and cable products or brass bronze foundry products.

Table 4. COMPARISON OF DOMESTIC MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS, EXPORT, AND IMPORT CODES FOR COPPER-BASE MILL PRODUCTS: 1980

Manufacturers' product descriptions (Import/Export descriptions)	Exports of domestic merchandise (Schedule B)	Imports for consumption (TSUSA)		
opper mill products:				
Copper-base alloy:		612.3400,612.3500,612.3600,612.3800,612.3920,612.3940,		
Sheet, strip, and plate (flat)		612.3960,612.3980,612.4000,612.4100,612.4300.612.4410,		
Rod, bar, and wire (non-flat)1	612.4620	612.4430,612.4510,612.4520,612.5200,612.6100,612.6200,		
		612.6300,612.6410,612.6420,612.8100.612.8200		
Tube and pipe	613.0520,613.0530	613.0600,613.0800,613.1000,613.1100,613.1200		
Unalloyed copper:				
Sheet, strip, and plate (flat)	612 3320	612,3000,612,3120,612,3140,612,3160,612,3200,		
Rod, bar, and wire (non-flat) ¹		612.5000,612.6000,612.8000		
Tube and pipe		613.0200,613.0300,613.0400		
Tube and pipe	013.0340,013.0330	013.0200, 013.0300, 013.0400		
opper wire mill products, bare wire	612.7420,612.7440	612,7000,612,7100,612,7220,612,7240,612,7260,612,7300		
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opper base powder mill products:				
Copper-base alloy:				
Granular	D .			
Flake				
	612.5400	612.5500,612.5600		
Unalloyed copper:	1	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
Granular				
Flake	1			

 $^{^{1}\}mathrm{The}$ import and export codes for this line do not include wire.

DESCRIPTION OF SURVEY

Scope of Survey—This survey includes firms engaged in manufacturing copper-base mill products.

Sampling Description—The statistics in this publication were collected on Bureau of Industrial Economics, Copper Controlled Materials, Form ITA-9008. The mailing panel for these surveys includes all known producers of brass mill products and copper-base powder products, as well as those manufacturers who produced 95 percent of wire mill products. The data for wire mill products are inflated to represent 100 percent coverage.

Survey Error—The quarterly figures include estimates for respondents whose reports were not received in time for tabulation, as well as those establishments not included in the mailing panel. Such missing figures are "imputed" from prior reports and/or estimates and are generally limited to a maximum of 10 percent for any one item. Individual items with imputation greater than 10 percent are footnoted.

The imputation rate is not an explicit indicator of the potential error in published figures. The probable range of difference between the actual and imputed figures is unknown. The degree of uncertainty regarding the accuracy of the data, however, increases as the percentage of imputation increases. Figures with imputation rates above 10 percent should be used with caution.

Revision to Previous Period Data—Statistics for previous quarters may be revised due to receipt of corrected data from respondents, including late reports for which imputations were previously made as described above and other corrections. Figures which have been revised by more than 5 percent from previously published figures are indicated by footnotes.

Seasonal Adjustment—The data are not adjusted for seasonal variation.

EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Shipments—Shipments by brass and bronze foundries include both shipments for sale (to the trade) and shipments for own use. Shipments for own use represent copper and copper-base alloy castings for use by the reporting company or an affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company, and also include castings produced and consumed at the sale location in the production of finished products.

Shipments by brass mills, copper wire mills and copper-base powder mills include all controlled materials orders shipped: by the respondent for his own account, by other copper-controlled materials producers for the respondent's account, or by the responding company under toll arrangements for the account of controlled materials consumers.

COMPARISON OF EXPORT, IMPORT, AND DOMESTIC OUTPUT DATA

The Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system used for domestic output and the statistical export and import com-

modity classifications were developed independently and are based on somewhat differing systems of classification. This results in considerable difficulty in comparing the three types of data for many commodity areas. The domestic output classification is based on type of industry; whereas, the export and import classification system is more materials oriented. Aside from the differences in the basic commodity classifications, there are additional problems involving import data, since there are a substantial number of imported commodities which are not produced in the United States or which are produced only in very small quantities and which, therefore, have no comparable domestic output classification. The relationships shown in this report should be considered only as approximations, since, in addition to those mentioned above, there are also the following problems affecting the comparability of the three sets of data:

a. Valuation—There are different methods of valuation for the three types of data.

Domestic Output—Valued at the point of production. It includes the net sales price, f.o.b. plant, after discounts and allowances, exclusive of freight charges and excise taxes.

Exports—Valued at the point of exportation. It includes the selling price, or cost if not sold, and inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the export point.

Estimated producers' values of exports have also been developed. These values more closely approximate the values reported for domestic output because they exclude freight, insurance, and other charges applied from the producing plant to the export point.

Imports—Valued at the first port of entry in the United States. It includes c.i.f. (cost, insurance, and freight), duty, and other charges to the import point.

- b. Duplication in Ouantity and Value of Output—Because producers' shipments of some commodities may be used as materials for incorporation into other commodities, combinations of data for such commodities may contain a certain amount of duplication. Thus, percentages of exports to output or imports to apparent consumption (output plus imports minus exports) at four-digit or broader levels may be understated. Where duplication is known to be substantial, the output data are appropriately noted in the table.
- c. Low-Valued Export and Import Transactions—Commodity information is not shown for individual imports valued under \$251. For exports, commodity information is not reported for shipments individually valued under \$501, effective March 1979 and for shipments under \$251 prior to March 1979. This is believed to have only negligible effect on the statistics for most commodities.
- d. Manufacturers' Shipments, Not Specified by Kind—The value of manufacturers' shipments at the four-digit industry level often includes a small amount which is not distributed among the individual five-digit product classes. Export and import percentages at the more detailed levels might, therefore, be slightly overstated.

- e. Time Lag Between Output and Exports—There will be a lag between the time a commodity is produced or shipped by the producer and the time it is actually exported, especially when intermediaries (wholesalers, exporters, etc.) are involved. Ordinarily, this type of discrepancy is insignificant in annual figures.
- f. "Direct" vs "Total" Commodity Exports and Imports—Export and import data do not include materials which are incorporated into other more finished products and exported or imported in finished form. Thus, by showing only direct exports and imports, the relation of exports to output and imports to apparent consumption for intermediate products is considerably understated.
- g. Used Commodities—With a few exceptions, used or rebuilt commodities are classified in the same import or export codes as is new merchandise. Percentages are thus overstated to the extent that used or rebuilt products are significant in trade.
- h. Geographic Area of Coverage—Import and export data reflect the movement of merchandise into and out of the U.S. customs territory (the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico). They do not include movements between the United States and its possessions. Domestic output (shipments) data exclude Puerto Rico and other outlying areas.

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